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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS CASC ET

SUBJECT: TENNECO SEVEN

REF: ASMARA 402

1. PENDING EVALUATION OF SOURCE CITED PARA 1 REFTEL, EMBASSY  
RECOMMENDS THAT REPORT ASCRIBED TO SOURCE BE TREATED WITH RESERVE.

OUR REASONS AS FOLLOWS:

A. CAPTORS ALREADY HOLD SEVEN FOREIGNERS, WHICH LIKELY NO MEAN  
BURDEN FOR THEM, AND CERTAINLY SHOULD BE ADEQUATE FOR NEGOTIATING  
PURPOSES.

B. MOVE TO TAKE ADDITIONAL HOSTAGES FROUGHT WITH RISK IEG MILITARY  
RESPONSE UPON VILLAGERS, WHO ALREADY SAID TO BE UP IN ARMS  
FOLLOWING CLOSING OF AMERICAN EVANGELICAL MISSION HOSPITAL. (2000  
RPT 2000 PEOPLE REPORTEDLY ATTENDED FUNERAL MURDERED NURSE.)

C. IT LIKELY THAT ALLEGED DECISION DESCRIBED PARA 1 REFTEL  
WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN RATHER HIGH IN ELF STRUCTURE WHERE FEW  
PERSONS WOULD BE AWARE OF DECISION.

2. EMBASSY DEEMS PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES DISCUSSED IN REFTEL, IN-  
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CLUDING PUBLIC STATEMENT BY DEPARTMENT ON TRAVEL TO ERITREA,

ADEQUATE AT PRESENT. IT WILL KEEP QUESTION OF ANY ADDITIONAL  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENHANCE THEIR SAFETY UNDER CONTINUING REVIEW.  
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